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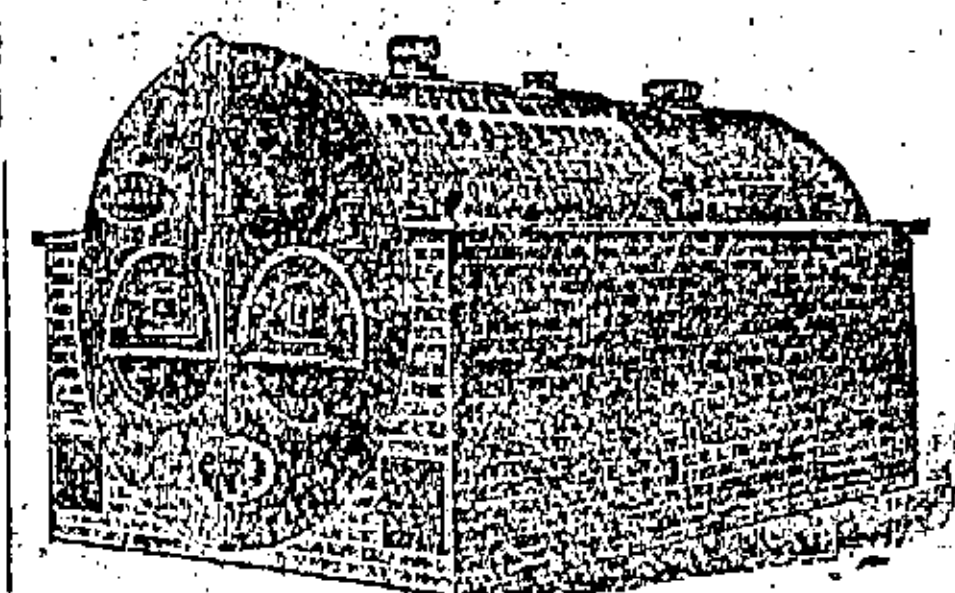
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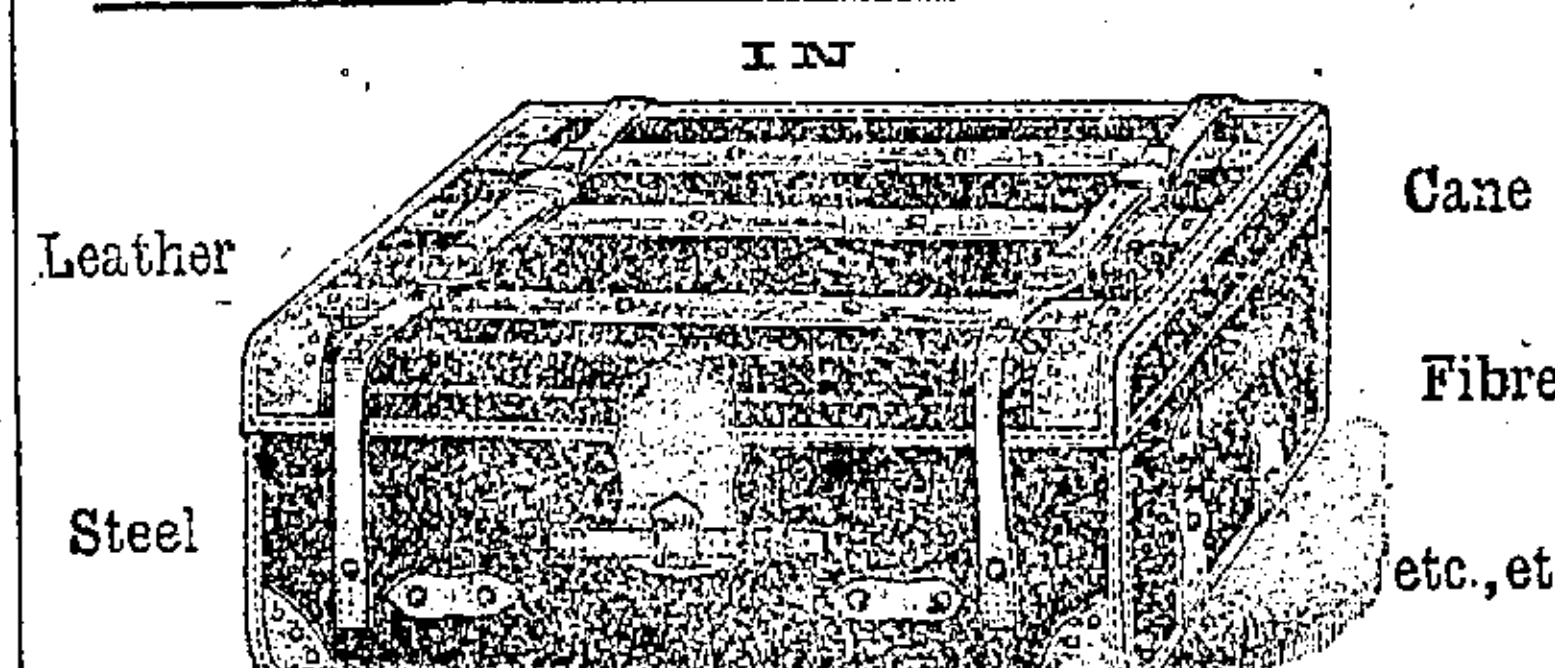
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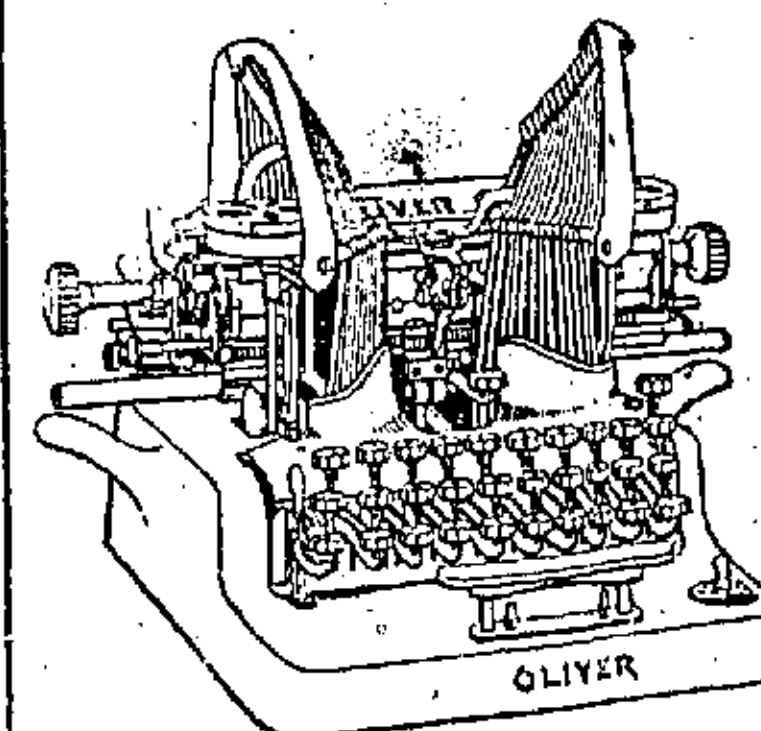
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SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 1908.

THE HAYTI REBELLION.

SITUATION QUIETER.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, March 21.

The situation in Hayti is more promising. The arrival of warships and the departure of refugees have relieved the danger of a widespread outbreak.

DANUBE-ADRIATIC LINE.

SUPPORTED BY RUSSIA, ITALY AND FRANCE.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, March 20.

The Russian, Italian and French Embassies have drawn the attention of the Porte to the Danube-Adriatic Railway, and have supported the scheme.

THE RUSSIAN NAVY.

Is There an Awakening.

LONDON, March 19.

The Committee of the Duma has rejected the credit for new battleships, and insisted on a reorganisation of the Ministry of Marine and a legislative determination of the naval programme.

THE BRITISH NAVY.

The Best in the World.

LONDON, March 19.

Lord Tweedmouth, First Lord of the Admiralty, speaking in the House of Lords, said that in the spring of 1911 Great Britain will have a fleet of first class battleships unequalled by any Power: he might almost say by a combination of all Powers of the world.

Battleships were now passing through an experimental stage, rendering a moderate rate of construction desirable. The new basin at Ryeport will accommodate 22 Dreadnoughts.

DEATH OF AN AMBASSADOR.

LONDON, March 19.

The death of Sir Nicholas O'Connor, British Ambassador to Constantinople, is announced.

(The Right Hon. Sir Nicholas Roderick O'Connor, G.C.M.G., P.C., was appointed British Ambassador in 1898. He was born in Ireland on July 3, 1846, and in 1867 married the daughter of the late J. Hope-Scott and Lady Victoria Howard. He entered the Diplomatic Service in 1866, and has been attached to the services in Berlin, Paris, Madrid, Rio de Janeiro, Lyons, Peking, where he was Secretary of the Legation 1883-85, Charge d'affaires, 1884-86, Minister 1892-95, Washington, Bulgaria, St. Petersburg, and then Constantinople.—E.O., C.M.)

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, March 19.

Earl Dudley has been appointed Governor General of Australia.

(Sir William Hume Ward, the 2nd Earl of Dudley, obtains his title from Dudley Castle, Staffordshire. He was born in 1866, and is the son of the first Earl of Georgiana. He has travelled round the world and visited all the Colonies. He served with the yeomanry in South Africa, was Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade in 1895, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland between 1902-1906. He is the owner of considerable property including a large ironworks.—E.O., C.M.)

THE BRITISH MINISTRY.

A Change in the Cabinet.

LONDON, March 19.

It is reported in the Lobby that Mr. Asquith will see the King immediately after his return from Biarritz. Mr. Haldane, Mr. Lloyd-George, and Mr. Birrell are mentioned as Mr. Asquith's successors in the Exchequer, while Mr. Winston Churchill and Mr. L. V. Harcourt will be promoted to higher offices.

THE ORANGE RIVER COLONY.

The Carrying of Arms.

LONDON, March 19.

Mr. Fisher, the Premier at Bloemfontein, has announced that a new law will shortly confer the right of carrying a gun to every Burgher, and it is hoped that some day it will be compulsory for every man to have a rifle.

The Parliament has unanimously agreed to confer pensions on ex-President Steyn and Mr. Reitz.

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DAMARALAND REBELS.

FIGHT WITH A GERMAN FORCE.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, March 20.

Two German officers and twelve men have been severely wounded in a fight with rebels in Damaraland.

SHANGHAI'S RATES.

A GENERAL INCREASE.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, March 21.

A meeting of the ratepayers was held last evening at which the proposed rates were discussed.

The meeting agreed to increase the taxes generally. House rates have been increased by from ten to twelve percent and land rates by five, one-half, three-fifths and one per cent.

It was further decided that the number of opium dens should be reduced by one fourth by the first of July.

The budget was defeated on a show of hands but was carried at the poll.

HIGH OFFICIAL IN TROUBLE.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, March 20.

The residence of a high Chinese official was surrounded by soldiers yesterday and some sensation has been created in official circles.

It is stated that the official in question has been discovered to have obtained money under false pretences.

The name of the official has been suppressed.

IMPERIAL EXPENDITURE.

A QUESTION OF CURTAILMENT.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, March 20.

A Special Meeting of the Grand Council will sit under the presidency of the Empress Dowager to consider the amount of expenditure for the Imperial Household.

Chang Chih Tung, Yuan Shih Kai, Prince Chun and members of the Grand Council will be present.

GREAT FIRE AT PEKING.

DAMAGE TAELS 3,000,000.

Exhibition Bazaars Destroyed.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, March 20.

The Exhibition Bazaars have been destroyed by fire.

The fire took place on the night of the 19th.

The amount of damage is great but is yet unascertainable.

TIENTSIN, March 20.

The Industrial Exhibition Bazaars at Peking have been destroyed by fire.

A Great number of houses in the neighbourhood have been involved. The amount of damage is estimated at Taels 3,000,000.

[The Exhibition Bazaars of Peking have been in existence for a number of months. The object which the Board of Commerce had in view in establishing the exhibition was to develop China's industry and commerce with foreign countries. Each of the eighteen provinces were exhibiting their respective products, and it may be remembered our Canton correspondent wrote sometime last week that the Province of Kwangtung has been awarded the first prize for her products by the Board of Agriculture, Industry and Commerce.—E.O., C.M.]

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THE TATSU MARU CASE.

CANTON VICEROY RESIGNS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 20.

Chung-Jon Chun, the Viceroy of Canton, has wired resigning his appointment as Viceroy. Preparations are being made for an early departure. The Viceroy's family are to leave first and he follows later.

ADMIRAL LI CHUN.

Reported Resignation.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 20.

Admiral Li Chun, Commander-in-Chief of China's Navy in the South, has decided to resign, and is, according to information from official quarters, wiring to Peking shortly.

The Viceroy Designate.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 20.

The Canton officials understand that in the event of the Peking Government accepting the resignation of Viceroy Chang Jon Chun, the person likely to be appointed will be Yuan Shih Hsun. A rumour has been current for some time at Peking that after the settlement of the Tatsu Maru case, a transfer of positions will take place between the Viceroy of Canton and the Viceroy of Liangjiang.

[Yuan Shih Hsun, according to 'Who's Who in the Far East,' is a native of Hunan. He was Taoist of Shanghai in 1906, when he countenanced the anti-foreign rioting. After that he was made Governor of Shantung in view of his attitude towards foreigners at Shanghai.—E.O., C.M.]

The Reason China Backed Down.

Private telegrams have reached here to the effect that the reason why the Viceroy of Liangjiang had reported to the Peking Government the arrival of Japanese battleships at Shanghai, and that other war-vessels were on the way to the South.

The Release.

Taoist Wen, member of Bureau for Foreign Affairs, was present when the release ceremony was being carried out. It is stated that the Japanese Consul General maintained that the salute should be fired before the unloading of the arms and ammunition. It has been pointed out that by firing the salute the vessel would be at liberty to leave and it was agreed that saluting and unloading should take place simultaneously. The 96 cases of ammunition and 40 cases of arms were being discharged when the guns from the Chinese began to fire.

It was to be understood that the consignees of the arms were to approach the Sin Hui Kik to claim the cost of the arms.

The Shameful Day

The 17th day of the 2nd moon which was the date on which the Tatsu Maru II was released will be held by Canton—and it has been endeavored to make it recognized—as China's shameful day. A fund has been created for the publication of books which will be used in all schools and universities to teach the circumstances surrounding the capture and release of the Tatsu Maru II. The day will be kept green in the history of China, and an anniversary will be held each year when the event will be commemorated by demonstrations.

CHINA-BORNEO CO.

The following is the report of the above Company for presentation to the shareholders at the fifth ordinary yearly meeting to be held at the office of the Company at 11.30 a.m. on Thursday, March 26:

Gentlemen—The General Manager and Consulting Committee be to present to the Shareholders the Fifth Ordinary Yearly Report of the Company.

The accounts show a profit of \$108,268.74, from this has to be deducted Fees to Consulting Committee, \$4,000.00, leaving available for appropriation, \$104,268.74.

The Consulting Committee recommend that a dividend of 10% on the subscribed Capital be paid to Shareholders, \$55,200.00, write off Hongkong Saw-mills \$5,000.00, write off Launches and Lighters \$5,000.00, write off Sandakan Shipway \$5,000.00, write off Plant \$5,000.00, write off Kudat Pier \$1,500.00, write off Timber Concessions \$2,568.74, to carry to reserve \$25,000.00, Total, \$104,268.74.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.—In accordance with the Articles of Association Mr. A. G. Wood retires but offers himself for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts under review have been audited by Mr. W. H. Potts who offers himself for re-election.

J. WHEELEY, General Manager.

Hongkong, March 17th, 1908.

WAR BALLOONS.

St. Petersburg, March 14.

The Russian War Office has appointed several commissions of officers to design and build dirigible balloons for use in war. Also plans are asked for a special type of artillery to destroy the airships of the enemy. Russia intends to be foremost in military aeronautics.—E.O.

CORRESPONDENCE.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY SHARES.

(To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.')

Sir,—My attention has been directed to a paragraph which appeared in your issue of the 19th inst. under the heading "The Canton-Hankow Railway—Hongkong Shares. Are they recognized?" and purported to be a communication from your Canton correspondent.

As some of the statements therein contained are not quite accurate and would, if allowed to remain uncorrected, create strong impressions in the minds of your readers, I feel I must, in the interest of my clients and for the information of the public, send you a concise account of the matter herein, which I shall be much obliged if you would kindly allow to appear in your next issue.

The facts are briefly as follows:—In the 2nd Moon of Kwong Su 32nd year (that is about March 1906), the Canton-Hankow Railway Company appointed 24 persons in Hongkong (of whom my clients Messrs. Chun Chik Yu, Chun Kang Yu and Yeong Sai Ngam are among the number) to be their agents under certain Rules and Regulations drawn up by the Company to invite subscription for shares, and to collect the first call of \$1.00 per share on allotment.

Article 7 of these Rules and Regulations provides that the agents should keep all moneys received by them for shares allotted through their respective agencies till the Company is duly and legally registered in the Board of Commerce as a Company, and until the Company is duly and legally registered in the Board of Commerce as a Company, the agents are to keep the moneys in their hands which my clients absolutely refused to do on the ground that such an act would constitute a breach of the terms of Article 7 of the Rules and Regulations under which they became agents. Hence ensued the long dispute between my clients and the Directors of the Company.

On the 12th inst. an advertisement purported to be inserted by order of the Company appeared in the "Chinese Mail," in which it was stated that the Company had been registered as a Commercial Company.

I was at once instructed to write to the President of the Co. Sir Chentung Laing Cheng for a confirmation of the facts contained in the said advertisement.

Up to the time of writing this letter, however, I have not as yet received any reply from Sir Chentung Laing Cheng.—Yours faithfully,

S. W. Tso.

28, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong 21st March, 1908.

REVIEWS.

THE CROWNED SKULL, Fergus Hume, T. Werner Laurie, London.

Mr Fergus Hume has an audience of his own—a big audience. Ever since he leapt into fame with "The Mystery of a Hansom Cab" he has conscientiously catered for that class of readers who love mystery, murder and intrigue. We do not take the view that publications which are frankly sensational should be condemned solely on that account. There is a great demand for books of this kind and, although we have no very great esteem for this class of reading ourselves we recognise that it would be futile to object to its dissemination. Moreover Mr Fergus Hume and other producers of books like "The Crowned Skull" with all their highly coloured melodrama succeed in keeping their pages unsullied by the pruriency which is found in too many modern novels. "The Crowned Skull" commences with a mysterious murder, there is a wicked Baronet and his lovely daughter whom he wishes to marry to a semi-lunatic, an adventuresome sort and other accessory characters. The aim of the author is to keep the reader mystified as to the identity of the murderer of a millionaire from Africa and this he does most ingeniously albeit he puts rather a severe strain on the reader's commonsense. To those who like "thrills" the book is to be commended.

THE BROTHERS MARIS—JAMES, MATTHEW AND WILLIAM. Published by "The Studio," London and Paris.

So much has been written of modern Dutch Painters that the Summer Number of the "Studio" is of particular interest as a volume dealing entirely with the works of the Brothers Maris and it will come as a joy to all lovers of landscape painting of the Dutch School; that three brothers should distinguish themselves in the world of painting, each working in his own particular field, is in itself a very unusual thing. Yet a strong affinity is noticeable, especially in their earlier works, and to-day it is difficult to make comparisons of their respective abilities, yet the world is indebted to the Paintings and Drawings by these three men has been and is steadily increasing. To-day a work by a Maris is sure to attract attention. Only last year a painting originally sold by James Maris for £300 realized at Public Auction the high price of £8,500. This picture is a reproduction among many others from such important collections as those of Mr. Alexander Young, Sir John Day and Mr. Drucker; we would particularly mention "A Dutch Town," "The Pascoek Feest," by James Maris; "A Souvenir of Amsterdam," "The Four Mills" and "Bakery" by Matthew Maris, and "By the Stream" by William Maris. All are very fine indeed. The text by Mr. D. C. G. Thomson is concise and well put together and shows a broad and personal knowledge of the artists and their work. The Paintings are well reproduced, and the volume does infinite credit to the Publishers.

MANILA DEFENCES.

THE SCHEME OF AMERICA.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, Feb. 20.

WASHINGTON—Work will begin next month on the construction of defence works at Manila that will make the capital of the Philippines one of the strongest fortresses in the Far East. The sum of \$8,500,000 will be spent during the next twelve months, and when this has been done, Manila will serve every purpose the United States requires, as a first class naval base.

For six months the naval and military experts at Washington, sitting as a joint board, have been drawing up plans for the defence of the Philippines. At first, the naval members of the board wished to make Subig Bay, to the North of Manila, the chief naval base of the Philippines, but as it would require at least 100,000 men to defend Subig Bay from a land attack, it was decided to make Manila the headquarters for the large fleet of warships that America hereafter will maintain in the Far Eastern waters.

The key of the defence will be Corregidor Island, situated in the centre of the entrance to Manila Bay, between Cavite and Batuan provinces. The secondary defences will be Caballo, Carabao, and Fraile Islets, forming stepping stones across the bay entrance behind Corregidor. On Corregidor Island, six batteries of ten inch guns are to be placed. Owing to the peculiar formation of the island, they will be ranged at an altitude of 500 feet above the sea, giving them a tremendous advantage. On the other side of the island a wharf, hospital, barracks and magazines will be built and a short electric railway will connect the magazine with the batteries. The 25th. Company of Coast Artillery, now at Fort Monroe, Virginia, will sail for Manila on April 6th to take charge of the Corregidor defences.

The defences of Caballo, Carabao and Fraile Islets will consist of ten-inch guns, and smaller batteries of quick firers to guard against torpedo boats trying to run into the harbor. Powerful searchlights will be built which will allow every inch of the bay entrance to be brought into clear daylight on the darkest night. The large floating drydock Dowsy which is large enough to accommodate a battleship will be taken to Manila from Subig Bay, where it now is. The naval arsenal at Cavite Town, just south of Manila, on the East shore of Manila Bay, will be brought up to the highest state of efficiency, so that almost any repair to a warship can be done.

The land defences to the rear of Manila will consist of a series of forts, and small gunboats on Laguna de Bay, a large lake, south east of Manila. The marshy nature of the land and the very strong underground, behind Manila, constitute natural defences that will prove a great assistance if ever Manila has to be defended against a land foe. It is conceded at Washington that in the event of a war with Japan, the Japanese could land a strong force on Luzon Island, to attack Manila, without difficulty, but army officers assert that a hundred thousand Japanese acting in conjunction with the whole of the Mikado's fleet could not capture Manila, once the defences now planned are completed.

COMMERCIAL.

Rice has become stronger. The third class rice from Tonkin is quoted at from \$3.50 to \$3.60. At these prices some five thousand bales have been put through today. For want of available space, rice for Canton is still stocked in Hongkong. So far the prohibition against the exportation of rice from the up-river districts is in force, and Canton has to draw upon Hongkong for supplies, and it is not likely that a big slump in price will take place until the new crops is harvested, which will be a few months yet. Altogether the prospect for good prices so far as Hongkong is concerned is bright.

The oil market rules steady. Wood-oil sells dearer in Wuchow, which is the place of its product, than in Hongkong. The price there is quoted at from Taels 10.60 to Taels 10.70, while at Hongkong it is being placed at from Taels 10.40 to Taels 10.50, the variation in quotation being assigned to the exchange between the two places, and some ten per cent. has always to be allowed for by the traders in their transactions paid in Hongkong currency of Chinese subsidiary coins.

Mr. Nemoto Tadasi, of the Seiyukai, and two other members of the House of Representatives have submitted a Bill to the House to establish a Government monopoly of the working of gold mines in Japan with a view to strengthening the security for the convertible notes and repaying the foreign loans as soon as possible.

AUSTRALIA AND SILVER.

Australia has been heavily hit over the recent drop in lead, for Broken Hill is one of the world's great producers. Exactly how Australia stands in comparison with other countries is indicated in the annual statistics of Mr. Julius Matton, who gives the imports of lead during 1907 into Great Britain as 204,695 tons, as against 208,263 tons in 1906, and 229,541 tons in 1905. The exports during 1907 were 50,007 tons, which contrasts with 58,430 tons in 1906 and with 60,536 tons in 1905. The imports last year were received from Spain to 104,021 tons, a decrease on the previous year of 7883 tons. From Australia, 50,150 tons were received, a decrease of 4122 tons; from Germany only 4804 tons arrived, a falling off on the year of 11,836 tons, but the United States sent 27,314 tons, an increase of 8920 tons. Apart from the production of lead in Great Britain itself, the movements indicated above resulted in a net import of 148,088 tons in 1907, as compared with 148,823 tons in 1906, and with 160,015 tons in 1905.

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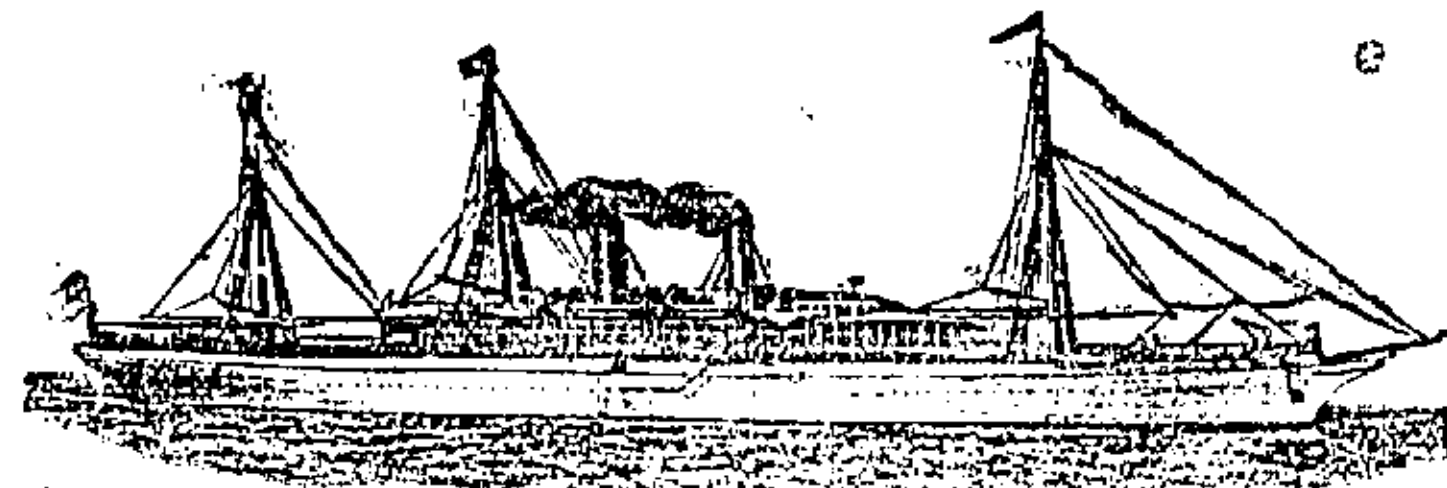
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SUPPLEMENT TO THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 1903.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

EXCLUSIVE OF LATE ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES REPORTED TO-DAY.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping of midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the Market.
5. From The Market to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.

Section

7. From Naval Yard to Blue Building.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kell's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

VESSELS' NAMES.	AGE	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND REG.	TONS NETT.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CONSIGNEES OR AGENTS.	DESTINATION.	REMARKS.
Steamers.								
Aeolus	3	c Drozeo	Amer. str.	338	Mar. 18	Moxon & Co.		
Amara	3	c Mattock	British str.	1668	Mar. 17	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Tsingtau & Chefoo	March 23.
Ambria	5	c Schwinghaumer	Ger. str.	2235	Mar. 19	Hamburg-Amerika Linie		
Bellerophon	4	c Bartlett	British str.	5795	Mar. 18	Butterfield & Swire	Saigon	March 24.
Chatham	3	c Duff	British str.	2418	Mar. 19	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.		
Ceylan	5	c Jouan	French str.	5210	Mar. 12	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai	March 22.
Chipshing	3	c Mooney	British str.	1199	Mar. 17	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Tientsin	March 23.
Chow Fa	3	c Spiess	Ger. str.	1055	Mar. 13	Butterfield & Swire		
Dagmar	3	c Nicolaisen	Ger. str.	963	Mar. 18	Butterfield & Swire	Bangkok	March 24.
Dagny	3	c Abrahamsen	Norw. str.	883	Mar. 15	Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.	Chefoo & N'chwang	March 22.
Drutar	3	c Bing	Norw. str.	1102	Mar. 17	Melchers & Co.	Swatow & Bangkok	March 24.
Empress of India	4	c Beetham	British str.	3039	Mar. 9	C. P. R. Co.	Vancouver (B.C.)	April 9.
Ereya	3	c Christensen	Norw. str.	711	Mar. 17	Chinese	Bangkok	March 22.
Glenfarg	3	c Holeman	British str.	2356	Mar. 20	McGregor Bros. & Gow.		
Hangsang	3	c Wilde	British str.	1356	Mar. 21	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Hilary	3	c Uecker	Ger. str.	1276	Mar. 20	Chinese		
Japan	4	c Olifent	British str.	3806	Mar. 19	David Sassoon & Co., Ltd.	Shanghai & Japan	March 25.
Joshin Maru	3	c Smith	Japan. str.	702	Mar. 18	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	S'ow, Amoy, Tamsui	March 22.
Knivesberg	3	c Henk	Ger. str.	646	Mar. 17	Jebson & Co.		
Koh-si-chang	3	c Roselisky	Ger. str.	1291	Mar. 3	Butterfield & Swire		
Kueichow	3	c Hooker	British str.	1214	Mar. 20	Butterfield & Swire		
Kumsang	4	c Buller	British str.	2078	Mar. 13	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore, Pang & C'tta	March 24.
Kwang Lee	2	c Lincoln	Chi. str.	1536	Mar. 20	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Laertes	3	c Frampton	British str.	1340	Mar. 18	Chinese		
Landrat Schellf	3	c Grandt	Ger. str.	1012	Mar. 20	Siemssen & Co.,		
Lennox	4	c McNair	British str.	2361	Mar. 12	C. P. R. Co.	Vancouver (B.C.)	March 25.
Lock Sun	3	c Taubert	Ger. str.	1020	Mar. 20	Butterfield & Swire		
Lowther Castle	5	c Lightoller	British str.	2773	Mar. 20	Shewan, Tomes & Co.		
Loyal	c Natzins	Ger. str.	684	Feb. 18	Sander, Wieler & Co.		K'loon Dock
Manila	4	c Minssen	Ger. str.	1108	Mar. 8	Melchers & Co.	Manila & Sydney	March 26.
Mathilde	3	c Ouderup	Ger. str.	833	Mar. 16	Jebson & Co.		
Mausang	3	c Houghton	Brit. str.	1643	Mar. 19	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Sandakan	March 28.
Mercedes	3	c McGregor	British str.	3000	Sept. 21	Admiralty		
Michael Jebson	3	c Bendixen	Ger. str.	951	Mar. 19	Jebson & Co.		
Myrtedene	8	c Lughton	British str.	1205	Mar. 18	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.		
Nicomedia	4	c Wagemann	Ger. str.	4366	Mar. 20	Portland & Asiatic S. S. Co.	Japan & Portland,	March 25.
Pao-tung	3	c Tuebben	British str.	1073	Mar. 12	Butterfield & Swire		
Persit	3	c Dixon	British str.	2744	Jan. 11	O. & O. S. S. Co.		
Pheumpeh	3	c Scott	British str.	1069	Mar. 20	Chinese		
Phu-yen	3	c Rouisson	French str.	1247	Mar. 20	Bradley & Co.		
Pochontao	c Cox	British str.	1721	Mar. 20	China Commercial S. S. Co.		K'loon Dock
Progress	3	c Schewig	Norw. str.	1671	Feb. 25	Wallem & Co.		
Prometheus	5	c Moir	British str.	3583	Mar. 21	Butterfield & Swire		
Quarta	3	c Madsen	Jer. str.	1230	Mar. 16	Java-China-Japan Lijn		
Shantung	9	c Scott	British str.	1833	Mar. 20	Butterfield & Swire	Sourabaya	March 23.
Singan	3	c Jamieson	British str.	1046	Mar. 20	Butterfield & Swire	Hoihow & Haiphong	March 25.
Suisang	3	c Welsh	British str.	1785	Mar. 18	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Swanley	4	c Steele	British str.	2988	Mar. 14	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Durban	March 22.
Szechuen	3	c Sidford	British str.	1143	Mar. 18	Butterfield & Swire		
Tean	3	c Outerbridge	British str.	1345	Mar. 20	Butterfield & Swire	Manila	March 24.
Triumph	3	c Bendixen	Ger. str.	675	Mar. 20	Jebson & Co.		
Wingsang	3	c King	British str.	1252	Mar. 15	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Swatow & Shanghai	March 23.
Yahiko Maru	8	c Sumita	Japan. str.	3304	Mar. 21	Ataka		
Yeboshi Maru	3	c Kori	Japan. str.	2992	Mar. 19	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Shore and Bombay	March 21.
Yotorofu Maru	kw	c Sato	Japan. str.	3067	Mar. 20	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Kobe & Yokohama	March 21.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22nd, 1908.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral.

SUNDAY, 3rd IN LENT.

Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.).

Response: Venite, Dye; Psalms, of the 22nd morning (1); Benedictus, Hopkins, Elly, and Hopkins; Benedictus, London; Hymns, 200, 261 and 90.

Evening (6.45 p.m.). (Full choir).

Response: Psalms, of the 22nd evening; Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, Wesley in D minor; Anthem, "Come unto Him," Gounod; Hymns, 94 and 208; St. Andrew's Anthems, N.B.—Psalms 106, Verses 1, 2, 6, 12, 13, 14, 21, 25, 29 in unison.

UNION CHURCH.

Kennedy Road.

Minister: Rev. C. H. Hickling.

Sunday 11 a.m.—Worship, Hymns 379, Psalm 136 (Tune 56), Hymns 559, 573, 313 (Tune 136).

4 p.m.—Sunday School.

6 p.m.—Worship, Hymns 360, Psalm 20 (Tune 610), Hymns 506, 443, 351.

Wednesday 5.15 p.m.—Devotional Service. Book at 5.15 p.m.—Ruth.

Thursday 6.30 p.m.—Our Father's.

9 p.m.—Literary Club, Musical Evening, "Haydn," Mr. G. Gremble.

Open to the Public.

Sunday 20th—Holy Communion around the Lord's Table.

St. Andrew's, Kowloon.

At St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, tomorrow, Holy Communion will be administered at 8 a.m. At 11 o'clock service (which C. of E. party members are invited to attend) at their Parade Service, a solo will be sung by Mrs. Thorneycroft. The preacher at 8 p.m. service will be the Rev. A. D. Stewart, M.A.

(Hobinson Road, near British School, Services on Sundays:—)

Sundays of month (1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th, 13th, 15th, 17th, 19th, 21st, 23rd, 25th, 27th, 29th, 31st).

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Sundays of month (7th).

To-day's Advertisements

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

Notice of Approval of Composition.

No. 41 of 1906.

Re FAN WA SEAN lately carrying on business as a Merchant at No. 71 Jersey Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, under the style or firm name of the Sun Hing firm.

THE Debtor's proposal for a Composition of 47 1/2 per cent on the claims as estimated in the Statement of affairs was on the 28th day of February, 1908, approved by the Court.

Dated this 20th day of March, 1908.

J. H. KEMP.

Official Receiver.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held on FRIDAY, the 27th inst. at 6.30 p.m. at the CITY HALL, this Excellency the Governor has graciously consented to be present and will present the Governor's Cup and Charter Cup, 1907, to the winners. All interested in the RIFLE CLUB movement are invited to be present.

E. S. CARPENTERS, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, March 21, 1908.

THE PARIS TOILET CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

THE SECOND GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held on SATURDAY, the 28th inst., at 12.30 p.m., at No. 6, Queen's Road, Central, the Registered Office of the Company, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1907, and electing an Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 25th March, to SATURDAY, the 28th March, both days inclusive.

PERCY SMITH & SETH, General Managers.

Hongkong, March 21, 1908.

THE PHENIX CLUB, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Club will be held on MONDAY, 24th March, at 5.30 p.m., in the Club Premises, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee, together with a Statement of Accounts for the first four months, working of the Club ending 31st December, 1907.

E. C. JORDAN, Secretary.

Hongkong, March 21, 1908.

New Stocks:

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BACON.

THE DAIRY FARM CO., LD.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

FOR MANILA, FRIEDRICH WILHELMSHAFEN, SIMPSONHAFEN, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

THE Steamship MANILA, Captain J. D. Andrews, R.N., carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 4th April, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship Molokai, 5,600 tons, from Colombo, Pasenger accommodation in which vessel is second before departure from Hongkong. Sulk and baggage, all Cargo for France and for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding to Marseilles and London; and cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. Macdonald, 1,400 tons, on the 16th May, 1908.

Tarels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to F. J. ABBOTT, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, March 21, 1908.

THEATRE ROYAL.

BONGKONG.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!

MARCH 21st. MARCH 21st.

MAURICE E. BANDMANN.

PRESENTS

HENRY DALLAS

AND THE

BANDMANN OPERA CO.

TO-NIGHT (SATURDAY), MARCH 21st.

"THE GIRLS OF GOTTENBERG."

LAST WEEK!

MONDAY, MARCH 23rd.

Grand Complimentary Benefit to the Popular Soprano, Miss Constance Lait.

"MISS HOOK OF HOLLAND."

PRICES: 1s, 2s, 3s.

Seats can now be booked at Messrs. MOUTRIE & Co.

Hongkong, March 21, 1908.

FOR AMOY, SINGAPORE AND RANGOON.

THE Steamship GERMANIA, Captain J. D. Andrews, R.N., carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 24th inst., at 5 p.m. Freight or Passage apply to WING FAT HONG, 1, Bona Vista Street, Hongkong, March 21, 1908.

EXPERT FAILED TO CURE HIS ECZEMA

Had Suffered Six Years—Face Badly Affected—Dared Not Go Out when Air Was Raw—Cuticura Proved Only Remedy—Also Cured Ringworm on Girl's Arm.

CUTICURA REMEDIES TWICE SUCCESSFUL

"I found three cakes of Cuticura Soap, one box of Cuticura Ointment and two bottles of Cuticura Resolvent, mailed to me by express, with which I have cleared my face of eczema, with which I have suffered for six years. It was the face perfectly clear and healthy and I felt a great deal of relief. I had been told that Cuticura was a cure for eczema, but they did not seem to cure me permanently. Also the same box of Cuticura Ointment cured a pretty bad case of ringworm on a girl's arm that I persuaded her to allow me to treat with it. G. L. Moore, Bureau Hall, Kirby Lodge, May 11, 1907." Send to nearest dealer for free Cuticura Book on Treatment of Skin Diseases.

MOTHERS Of Skin-tortured Babies Should Know

That warm baths with Cuticura Soap and gentle anointings with Cuticura Ointment, will clear the skin of infants of eczema, and afford instant relief, permit rest and sleep, and point to speedy, permanent, and economical cure of torturing, disgusting eczema, rashes, itching, irritations, inflammations, and eruptions of infants and children, and afford rest and comfort to worried, worn-out parents, when all else fails. Guaranteed absolutely pure and may be used from the hour of birth. Complete External and Internal Treatment for Eczema, Itching, and other Skin Diseases of Infants and Children. Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment are the only remedies that cure eczema, rashes, itching, irritations, inflammations, and eruptions of infants and children, and afford rest and comfort to worried, worn-out parents, when all else fails. Guaranteed absolutely pure and may be used from the hour of birth. 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